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Office of the General Counsel Federal Election Commission 999 E. Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

**RE: MUR 6262** 

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to a complaint filed by the Arizona Democratic Party alleging that my personal web site <a href="https://www.bitteramith.com">www.bitteramith.com</a> failed to contain the necessary disclaimer required by a political candidate's website, we offer the following response.

I was a candidate for the Republican nomination for the U.S. House of Representatives in AZ-5 in 2008. I did not prevail in the Primary and therefore was not a candidate in the General Election as the complaint alleges. As a candidate in 2008, I had a campaign website <a href="www.Susan08.com">www.Susan08.com</a> that was correctly identified with the appropriate disclaimer and was designed and paid for by the campaign. Upon the completion of that campaign, <a href="www.Susan08.com">www.Susan08.com</a> was pulled off the web and I set up a personal site <a href="www.bittersmith.com">www.bittersmith.com</a>. My personal site, paid for by personal money, not campaign money, contained only photographs of activities I was participating it. The site did not contain any information pertinent to any Federal campaign, no speculation on any further race by me, no political opinion, no advocacy, and no requests for fundraising. As such, <a href="www.bittersmith.com">www.bittersmith.com</a>, was never a campaign website, nor was intended to be a campaign website and therefore in our opinion did not need a campaign disclosure.

In February 2010, when I filed to be a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives in AZ-5 for 2010, a campaign website for the campaign was set up at <a href="www.susan10.com">www.susan10.com</a>. That site did and still does contain the appropriate campaign disclosure. My personal site, <a href="www.bittersmith.com">www.bittersmith.com</a> was linked to the campaign site which again contained the appropriate disclosure.

Since the receipt of the Arizona Democratic Party's complaint, which demonstrated their

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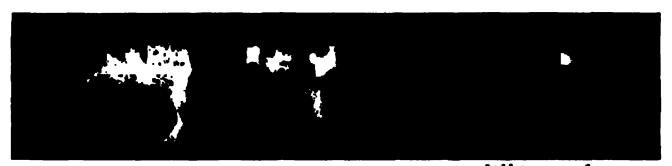
potential confusion, my personal site <u>www.bittersmith.com</u> has been pulled down from the web, so that only <u>www.susan10.com</u> remains. We believe this eliminates any possible confusion and remedies the complaint.

Please let me know if you need further information.

Sincerely

Susan Bitter Smith

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## **Welcome!**

It's official! We are formally filed and in the race for Congress in Arizona's District 5! Given the mood of the country and the mood of Arizonana, it has become obvious that it is time for a principled and tenacious Republican in this Congressional seat.

Arizonans are experiencing continuing frustration as they see their taxes being raised and their personal freedoms being impaled by their elected Members of Congress. They know, as I know, that now is the time for a free enterprise Republican to represent us and lead the way in Congress to solve problems created by an over-reaching government. Returning our representation to someone who truly understands these problems and knows how to fix them is paramount.

With this growing sense of frustration and activism, many voters have said now is the time to send a conservative Republican to Congress! I am a wife and mom who runs a successful Arisma small business and understands the unique challenges ficing us from liberal lawmakers and federal regulators. I will fight for you and against their agenda of raising taxes, spending future generations into debt, and attempting a government takeover of healthcare.

Your contribution to my campaign will help us spread the meaning that we are tired of the spend and tax policies coming out of Washington. This year Republican energy is up and together we can move forward to return Washington to true conservative principles.

I encourage you to join our campaign as a volunteer and follow us on Facebook and Twitter using the buttons to the left.

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A video message from Susan Bitter Smith...

